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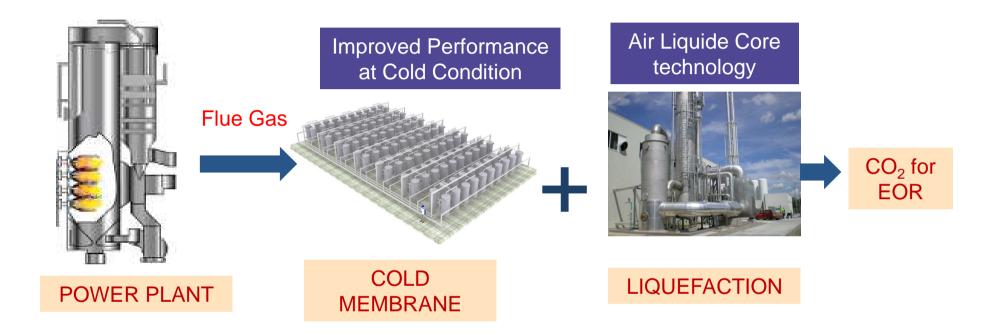


CO₂ Capture by Cold Membrane
Operation

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Project Summary

Air Liquide Hybrid Cold Membrane - Liquefaction Process plant for 550 MWe scale

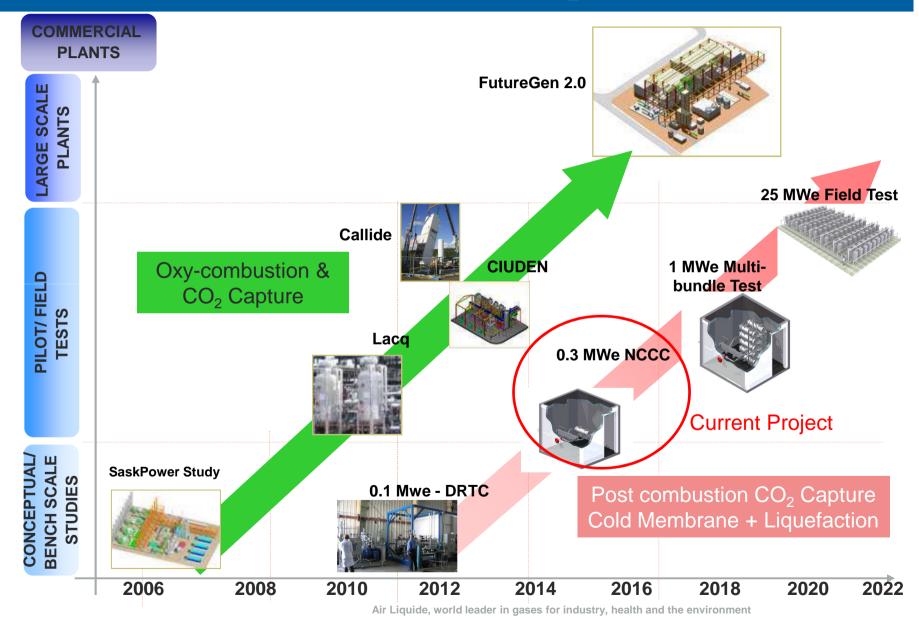


- Cold membrane testing was completed with synthetic flue gas (TRL4) in 2012
- Current project will test the cold membrane technology with real flue gas at 0.3 MWe (TRL5) using field test unit at National Carbon Capture Center (NCCC)





Air Liquide Roadmap for Power Plant CO₂ Capture Technologies



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Agenda

- Membrane Overview
- Capture Technology
- Testing with Synthetic Flue Gas
- Testing with Actual Flue Gas
- Future





Air Liquide: Key Information





A world leader in industrial and medical gases > 50,000 employees

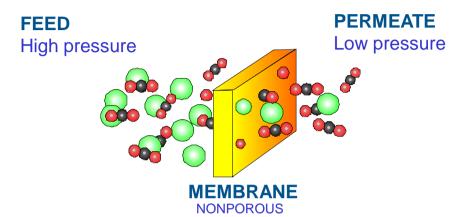
\$19.5 billion sales (2013)

Proposed new technology leverages AL strengths

- Air Liquide MEDALTM Established membrane manufacturer for N_2 , H_2 and CO_2 applications
- Air Liquide core expertise in gas separation, cryogenics and gas handling
- Strong program related to coal oxycombustion



Membrane Science



Performance Measures

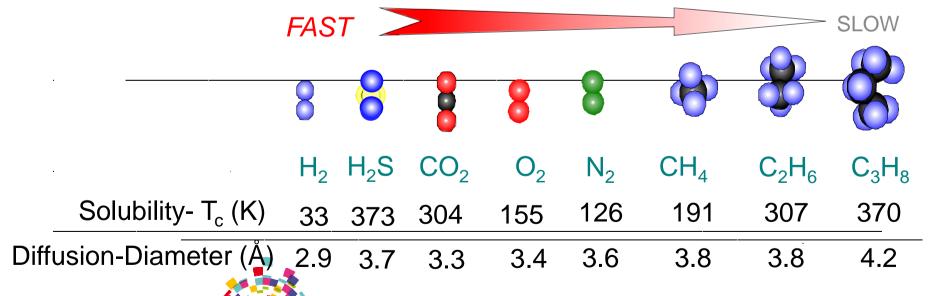
PERMEABILITY

$$P = D(c) * S(c)$$

SELECTIVITY

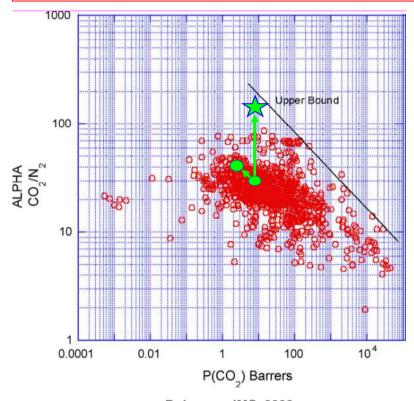
$$\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{P_1}{P_2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{D_1}{D_2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{S_1}{S_2} \end{bmatrix}$$

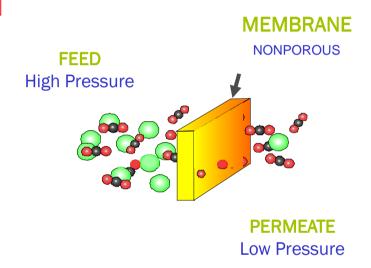
Permeability is determined by the product of solubility and diffusivity



Cold Membrane Performance

Existing AL Membrane operated at < -10℃ has unique combination of high CO₂ permeance and CO₂ / N₂ selectivity





$$\Delta E_{P} = \Delta E_{D} + \Delta H_{S}$$

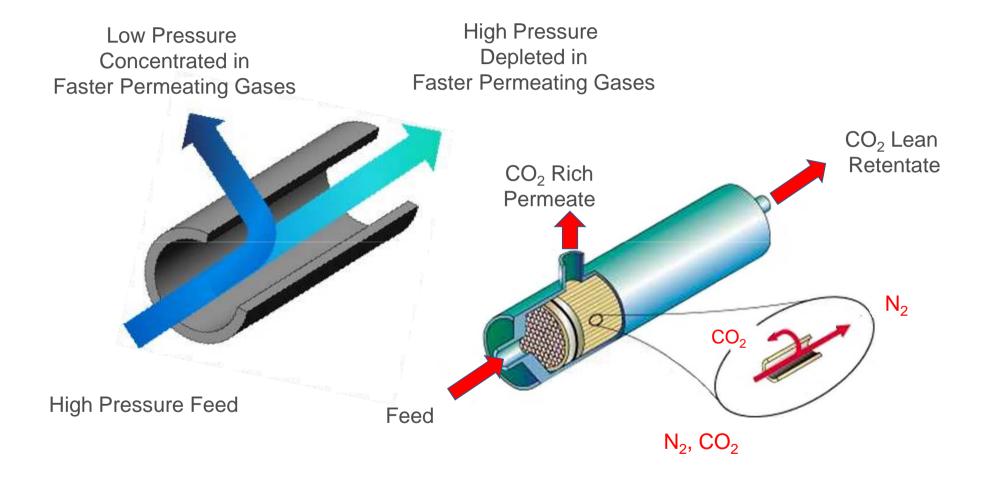
Robeson, JMS, 2008



Intrinsic permeability at -30°C inferred from known film data at RT + fiber data at RT and -30°C



Hollow Fiber Membranes

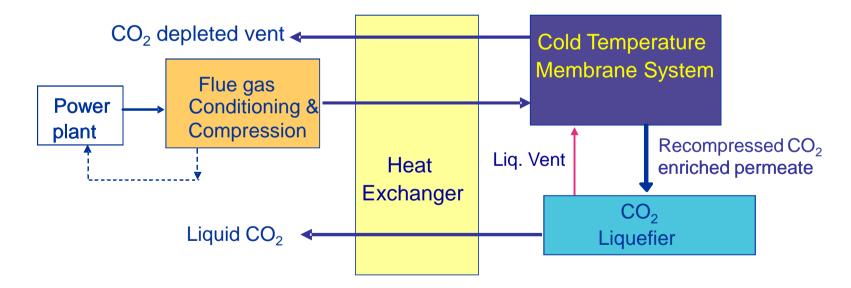






Cold Membrane Process Design Concept

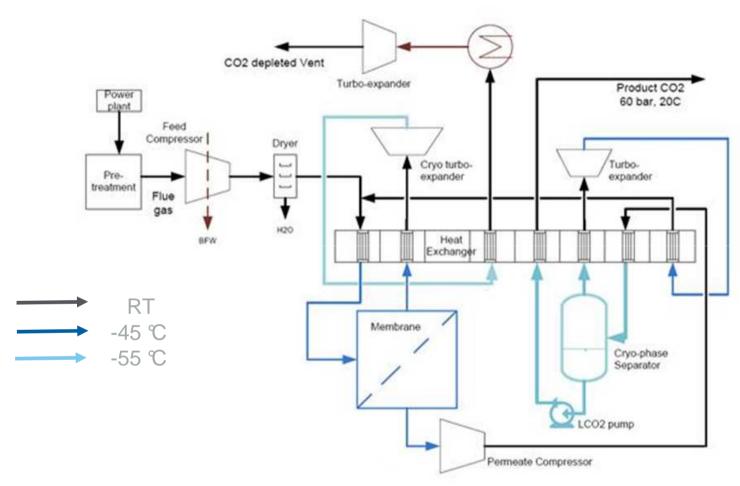
- > Pre-concentration of CO₂ by highly selective cold membrane before liquefier
- > Energy integration between membrane / liquefier through heat exchange
- Efficient recovery of compression energy







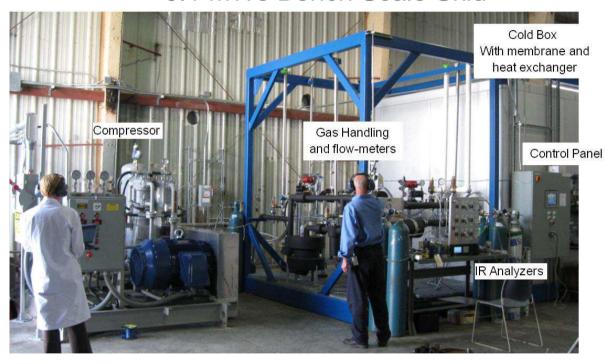
Hybrid Membrane + Liquefaction Configuration



This second generation carbon capture technology integrates new cold membrane technology into the known liquifier solution

Initial Synthetic Flue Gas Testing

0.1 MWe Bench Scale Skid

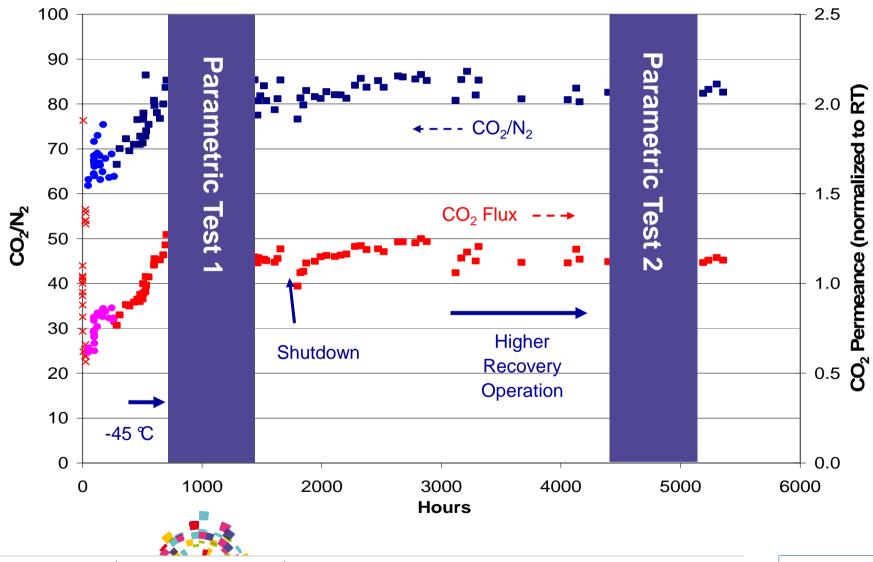








Endurance Testing with 6" Bundle: 6 Month Test



Techno-economic Evaluation

- At the end of our first project DE-FE0004278, the economics of this approach were evaluated to calculate the levelized cost of electricity (LCOE) for 90% CO2 capture from a 550 MW net air-fired coal power plant. The costing methodology followed DOE/NETL study 2010/1397 [14].
 - Equipment costs were based on quotations available `today and thus represent a 1st of a kind plant.

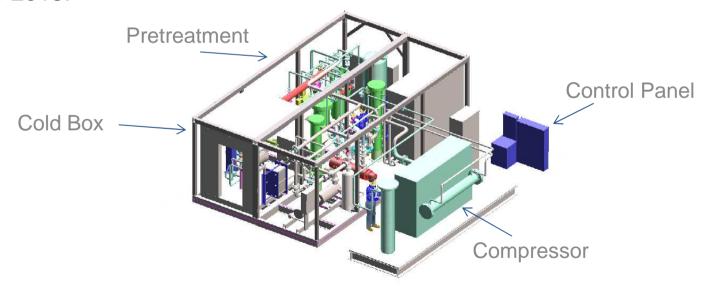
	DOE/NETL Case 11 (Amines)	Cold Membrane Hybrid
% Increase in LCOE	74.4%	48-53%





Current Project

- Improve scale up of 6" bundles to 12" bundles
 - Scaling is more difficult with high performing cold temperature modules
- Design and fabricate a membrane skid for testing 12" modules at the National Carbon Capture Center (Wilsonville AL) This test is scheduled for 2015.



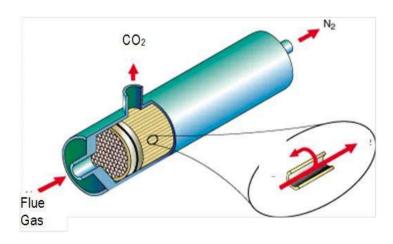




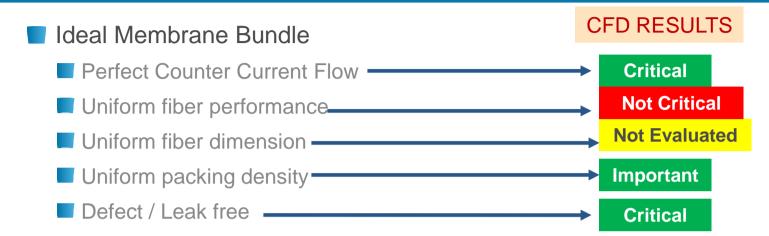
Ideal Membrane Bundle

Maximizes partial pressure difference

- Perfect Counter Current Flow
- Uniform fiber performance
- Uniform fiber dimension
- Uniform packing density
- Defect / Leak free



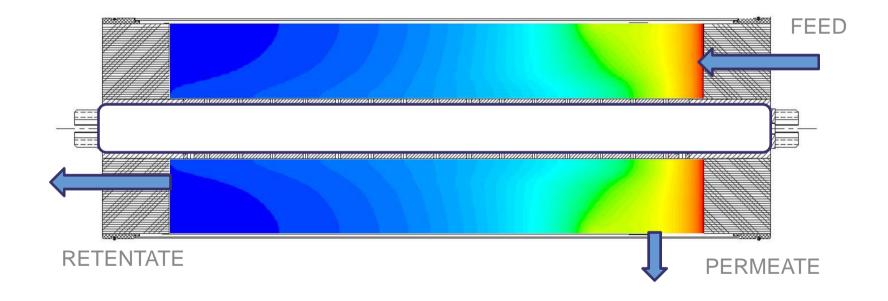
CFD Model Results



- Non-idealities are more critical for high selectivity membranes operating at high recovery
 - Critical elements are different for air separation & CO₂ separation

CFD Model

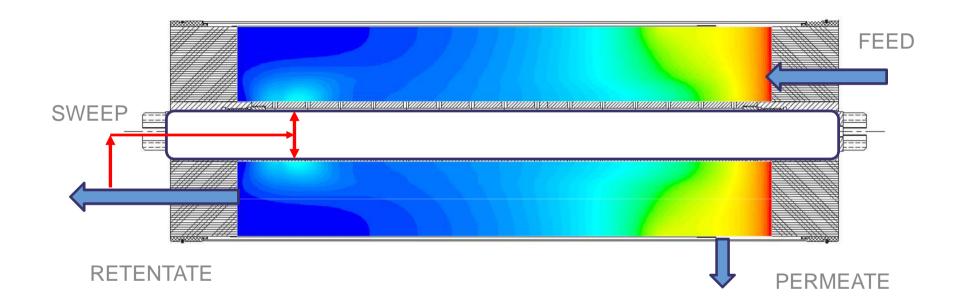
The driving force for CO₂ permeation is the partial pressure difference between feed and permeate. This force drops as the CO₂ is depleted







CO₂ partial pressure difference is critical



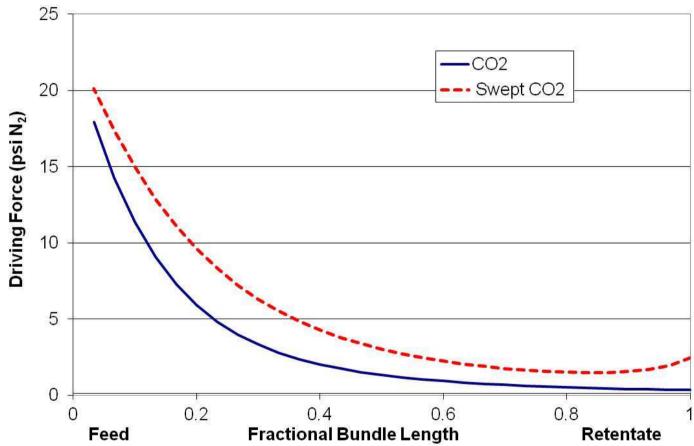
Addition of Sweep increases driving force across membrane for efficient flue gas separation





Effect of Sweep





The sweep prevents "pinching" of CO₂ at the retentate end while depressing N₂ flux





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